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Water main break on Newfield street will affect traffic during rush hour today

Middletown, CT. – A large water main break on Newfield Street will affect traffic through this evening. The City of Middletown is asking the public to avoid Newfield Street to limit traffic delays.

Newfield Street is closed between Tuttle Road and Mile Lane because the heavy water flowing beneath the street eroded the roadway and caused the asphalt to buckle.

Middletown Water & Sewer, Public Works, and Police are on scene now and will remain until repairs are completed. We are asking you to avoid Newfield Street if possible to limit delays. All traffic on Newfield in the affected area will be routed to other streets.

The Police Department's Traffic Unit is coordinating with the Board of Education to re-route buses for students attending Lawrence Elementary School, Keigwin Middle School, and Middletown High School.

The break occurred on a 12" water main at approximately 10 a.m. Water Department crews have isolated the break and are working to repair it, restore water, and repair the road. Approximately 20 customers are affected by the break and subsequent shut down of the water main. They are on Newfield St. between Mile Lane north to 1075 Newfield Street.

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